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In re Application of:)
Pierre J.F. Layrolle et al.)
Serial No.: 09/757,344)
Filed: January 9, 2001)
Title: METHOD FOR COATING MEDICAL)
IMPLANTS)

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action dated January 10, 2003 (Paper No. 14). A Request for Continued Examination is being filed concurrently herewith. Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the remarks for purposes of appeal, if and when appeal be taken.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

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